

Tombstone Courthouse State Historic Park

P.O. Pox 216, Tombstone, AZ 85638

Phone: (520) 457-3311

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Dear Couple:

Thank you for inquiring about having your wedding at **Tombstone Courthouse State Historic Park**. Congratulations and welcome.

It is out pleasure to have you choose us for the place to be married. It is our aim to be as helpful as possible and to accommodate your needs without undue bureaucratic regulation and help you have a special time.

The enclosed wedding material can provide you with information on our wedding process. You will also need to download and complete a Special Use Permit and file it with the park.

Persons desiring to be wed must obtain a wedding license in Bisbee, Arizona, the County Seat of Cochise County. The office responsible for issuing said licenses is the Clerk of Superior Courts. They charge a fee and the couple must sign affiavits attesting to their status. The clerk of Superior Court does not accept personal checks. To contact the Clerk of Superior Court call (520) 432-8570, Monday through Friday.

Thank you again for considering **Tombstone Courthouse State Historic Park**. We look forward to serving you. Please feel free to call us if you have any questions.

We wish you many happy returns.

Sincerely,

Art Austin
Park Manager





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Guests

We cannot accommodate more than 35 people in our courtroom at one time. This includes the wedding party. We also must charge your guests the usual admission fee to the park. \$4.00 for ages 14 and older. Starting March 1, 2010, admission for ages 14 and older will be \$5.00. Children ages 13 and under are admitted free. Group rates are available for 15 persons or more including children. We do not charge the entry fee for the Bride, Groom, or Minister/Judge. Usually the groom makes arrangements to have us count your guests and pay the fee at the conclusion of the ceremony, but you may make other arrangements. Just let us know and we will see if we can accommodate your needs, but we must know these needs in advance.

Wedding Site.

Most weddings are held in the restored 1880s courtroom. The courtroom is located upstairs and there are no provisions for access by the mobility impaired, so you need to consider this if guests or wedding party members will be unable to get upstairs. Occasionally, weddings are held in the front of the building, on the east lawn, or in the picnic area. Weddings may also be performed in the courtyard with the gallows reproduction. Note: the gallows reproduction is not designed to hold any weight and cannot be used in the actual ceremony, however you may elect to hold your ceremony in front of it.

Fees

"No Frills Wedding": A wedding party up to 12 persons with no special arrangements pay only the normal general admission fee for themselves and their guests/youths on the actual day.

Special Use Policy: **Any wedding with more than 12 people requires a Special Use Form**. The Base Rate is \$25.00 for groups of 50-100 who may use the front or back yards, the picnic area or Schieffelin Monument area. Fees are payable by Cash, Money Order, Visa or Mastercard. Fees are non-refundable.

Times

Tombstone Courthouse is open 9 am to 5 pm Thursday through Monday, except Christmas day. Due to our internal scheduling your event must take place either between 8:30 - 11:30 am or between 1:30 - 4:00 pm. Scheduling is on a first come, first served basis.

Decorations

Decorations may be set up twenty minutes before the ceremony. Decorations must be removed within 20 minutes after the ceremony. Only artificial flower decorations both held and adornment are allowed inside the Courthouse. Live, dead, cut or dried flowers **are not allowed** in the Courthouse. Only free-standing decorations are allowed; nothing may be attached to any of the walls or furniture.

Traditions

We cannot accommodate live music or bands. You may play music at a reasonable volume using a tape machine, Ipod or portable music plaayer. Park staff will determine reasonable volume. Sorry, rice, birdseed or confetti may **not** be thrown inside the Courthouse or on the front steps.

Pets

No animals, except service animals, are allowed in the Courthouse. No exceptions.



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Rules & Regulations Indemnification Certification

Help Protect Tombstone Courthouse

Rules and Regulations for Tombstone Courthouse State Historic Park

- 1. No food or beverages, except water, are allowed inside the Courthouse.
- 2. No running.
- 3. Do not cross exhibit partitions.
- 4. No pets allowed!
- 5. No skateboarding or bicycles allowed on steps, walkways and parking lots.
- 6. No firearms, BB, pellet guns, bows, or fireworks.
- 7. Please turn off (or set to vibrate) cells phones and personal communication devices.
- 8. No smoking
- 9. Non-commercial photography allowed in the building.
- 10. Non-amplified instruments (ie: guitar, harp, flute) will be allowed.
- 11. Live, dead, cut or dried flowers are NOT allowed in the courthouse.
- 12. Shirt and shoes are required.

We agree to the above Rules and Regulations of Tombstone Courthouse State Historic Park		
Groom	Date	
Bride	Date	



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	Please take a moment to review this checklist before sending us your application.

We have contacted the park to confirm our date is available.
We have read through and understand the information on page 2.
We have downloaded and completed a Special Use Permit.
We have both signed and dated the Rules and Regulations. (page 3)
If completing a Special Use permit, we have included a check or money order made out to Tombstone Courthouse State Hisoric Park for our non-refundable fees. Fees may also be paid by Credit Card. (Note: The "No frills" ceremony is payment at time of sorvice.)

All ready?

Please send a check or Money Order and pages 3 & 4 to

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Attn: Weddings

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Additional Resources

As a convenience, Arizona State Parks has provided contact information for the following wedding-related companies. Arizona State Parks does not endorse or warrant these companies or their products or services. The decision to use or not to use any of these products and services will not result in any special treatment from Arizona State Parks.

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Chip Kline **Officiate** 520-508-3442

Community Church **Officiate** 520-457-3735

Ginger Snap **Wedding Photographs** 520-457-2241